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BATCH-BY-BATCH OR CONTINUOUS  
PROCESS CONTROL AND METHOD  
FOR OPERATING A FLUIDIZED BED  
APPARATUS

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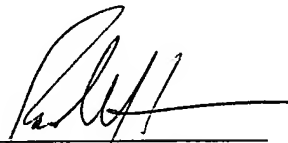
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